



NEWS RELEASE

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NEW I-405 HOV PROJECT BEGINNING

LOS ANGELES – Work is beginning on a \$6.2 million High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV, or carpool) lane on the northbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) between Ventura Boulevard and Burbank Boulevard.

For the week of August 8, 2005 through August 12, 2005, the following closures will be in effect **nightly**:

Northbound I-405

- From 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., the Burbank Boulevard off-ramp.
- From 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., various lanes intermittently between Ventura Boulevard and Burbank Boulevard with at least two lanes open for traffic at all times.

Southbound I-405

- From 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., two lanes of the connector to the Ventura Freeway (U.S. 101).
- From 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., the Ventura Boulevard on-ramp.

Northbound U.S. 101

- From 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., the northbound connector to northbound I-405.

Detour signs will be posted.

The project is expected to complete mid-2007, alleviating congestion at the I-405/U.S. 101 Interchange as well as improving air quality and enhancing safety. It is one of four HOV lane projects currently underway on I-405.

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